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Severe Tropical Storm FRANCISCO (MEKKHALA)

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"FRANCISCO" IS NOW NEARING TYPHOON CATEGORY.

Location of Center (10:00 AM)

The center of Severe Tropical Storm FRANCISCO was estimated based on all available data at **1,170 km East of Southeastern Luzon (15.9°N, 132.5°E).**

Intensity

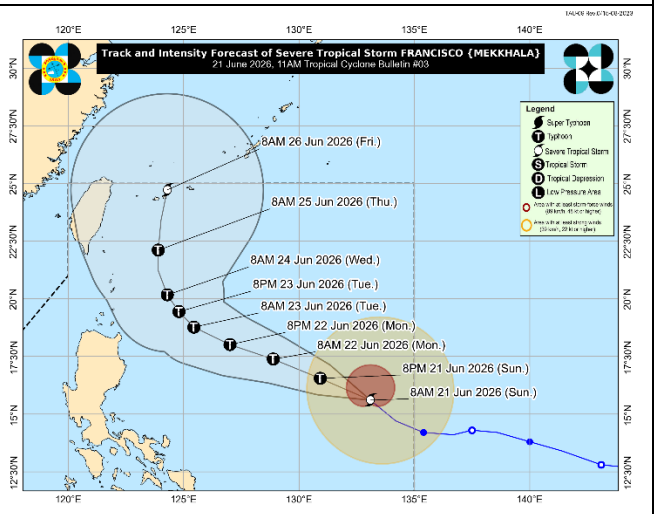
Maximum sustained winds of **110 km/h** near the center, gustiness of up to **135 km/h**, and central pressure of **980 hPa.**

Present Movement

Northwestward at 25 km/h

Extent of Tropical Cyclone Winds

Strong to storm-force winds extend outwards up to **420 km** from the center



TRACK AND INTENSITY FORECAST

Date and Time	Center Position			Intensity		Movement dir. and speed (km/h)
	Lat. (°N)	Lon. (°E)	Location	MSW (km/h)	Cat.	
12-Hour Forecast 8:00 PM 21 June 2026	16.5	130.9	935 km East of Central Luzon	120	TY	WNW 20
24-Hour Forecast 8:00 AM 22 June 2026	17.4	128.9	760 km East of Tuguegarao City, Cagayan	130	TY	WNW 20
36-Hour Forecast 8:00 PM 22 June 2026	18.0	127.0	590 km East of Tuguegarao City, Cagayan	150	TY	WNW 20
48-Hour Forecast 8:00 AM 23 June 2026	18.8	125.4	570 km East of Aparri, Cagayan	155	TY	WNW 15
60-Hour Forecast 8:00 PM 23 June 2026	19.4	124.8	350 km East of Calayan, Cagayan	165	TY	NW 10
72-Hour Forecast 8:00 AM 24 June 2026	20.2	124.3	245 km East of Basco, Batanes	150	TY	NNW 10
96-Hour Forecast 8:00 AM 25 June 2026	22.1	123.9	260 km Northeast of Itbayat, Batanes	130	TY	N 10
120-Hour Forecast 8:00 AM 26 June 2026	24.7	124.3	505 km North Northeast of Itbayat, Batanes	110	STS	N 10

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TROPICAL CYCLONE WIND SIGNALS (TCWS) IN EFFECT
No Wind Signal is currently hoisted

OTHER HAZARDS AFFECTING LAND AREAS

Heavy Rainfall Outlook

FRANCISCO is less likely to directly affect the weather conditions in the country today**. However, onset of heavy rains due to the Enhanced Southwest Monsoon is possible beginning tomorrow (22 June).** A **Weather Advisory may be issued today** in anticipation of the heavy rains over **Northern Luzon and some areas in the western portions of Luzon and Visayas**.

Severe Winds

Based on the latest forecast track, **Wind Signal No.1 may be hoisted in some localities in Cagayan, Babuyan Islands, and Batanes by tomorrow morning.**

The Southwest Monsoon will bring **strong to gale-force gusts** over the following areas (especially in coastal and upland areas exposed to winds):

- **Today:** Siquijor, Camiguin, and the southern portions of Davao Oriental, Davao Occidental, and Sarangani.
- **Tomorrow (22 June):** Romblon, most of Visayas, Basilan, Sulu, Zamboanga Peninsula, Misamis Occidental, Lanao del Norte, Camiguin, Surigao del Norte, Dinagat Islands, the eastern portion of Davao Occidental, and the southern portion of Davao Oriental.
- **Tuesday (23 June**): Batanes, Babuyan Islands, northern portions of Cagayan and Apayao, Pangasinan, Zambales, Bataan, Aurora, most of Southern Luzon and Visayas, Zamboanga Peninsula, Northern Mindanao, Surigao del Norte, Dinagat Islands, Davao Occidental, and Davao Oriental.

HAZARDS AFFECTING COASTAL WATERS

24-Hour Sea Condition Outlook

Up to moderate seas over the following coastal waters:

- **Up to 2.5 m**: The eastern seaboards of Catanduanes and Davao Oriental.
- **Up to 2.0 m**: The seaboards of Isabela and Surigao del Sur; the eastern seaboards of Cagayan, northern Aurora, Albay, Sorsogon, Eastern Samar, Dinagat Islands, Siargao Island-Bucas Grande Island Group, and Davao del Sur; the northern and eastern seaboards of Catanduanes and Northern Samar; the northern seaboard of Camarines Sur; the southern seaboard of Davao Oriental.
- **Mariners of motorbancas and similarly sized vessels are advised to take precautionary measures while venturing out to sea and, if possible, avoid navigation under these conditions.**

Other coastal waters have forecast wave heights of less than 2.0 m.

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• **It must be emphasized that heavy rainfall and severe winds may still be experienced in localities outside the forecast confidence cone. Refer to "Other Hazards affecting Land Areas" for more details. Furthermore, the track may still shift within the limit of the forecast confidence cone.** • FRANCISCO will likely remain over the Philippine Sea throughout the forecast period. **However, a closer approach to Extreme Northern Luzon is not ruled out should the forecast track continue to shift westward.** FRANCISCO will move west northwestward until Tuesday (23 June), then it will decelerate as it moves generally northward for the rest of the forecast period. • This tropical cyclone will continue to intensify and may reach typhoon category today. As it moves over the Philippine Sea, it will further intensify until it reaches its peak intensity likely by Monday (22 June) or Tuesday. Thereafter, a weakening trend is expected.

Considering these developments, the public and disaster risk reduction and management offices concerned are advised to take all necessary measures to protect life and property. Persons living in areas identified to be highly or very highly susceptible to these hazards are advised to follow evacuation and other instructions from local officials. **For heavy rainfall warnings, thunderstorm/rainfall advisories, and other severe weather information specific to your area, please monitor products issued by your local PAGASA Regional Services Division.**

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